



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

<b>Application No.:</b>	10/658,274	<b>Examiner:</b>	T.T. Snyder
<b>Filing Date:</b>	September 10, 2003	<b>Art Unit:</b>	1744
<b>First Inventor:</b>	Chih-Kao Hsu	<b>Customer No.:</b>	23364
<b>Attorney No.:</b>	HSUC3039/JJC/PMB	<b>Confirm. No.:</b>	4028
<b>For:</b>	<b>HAND-HELD VACUUM CLEANER INCLUDING A BUILT-IN HOSE AND AN ADJUSTABLE WIDTH NOZZLE (As Amended)</b>		

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**  
**OF APRIL 12, 2006**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is responsive to the Office Action dated April 12, 2006 in the above application wherein claims 1- 24 are rejected.

A substitute specification is concurrently filed herewith. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.125(b), the substitute specification contains no new matter.

A supplemental application data sheet is also concurrently filed herewith.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

A petition to extend the period of reply by one month is concurrently filed.